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INTIMATIONS

CONSTITUTIONAL REFORM
ASSOCIATION OF HONGKONG.

MEETING at the THEATRE on THURSDAY, the 3rd May at 8.30 P.M. to pass the proposed Rules and Regulations (a copy of which can be seen at my Office, 4 Des Vaux Road Central) and to elect Officers and a Committee, and to transact other business.

The Honorable Mr. P. H. HOLYAK will take the chair.
A. S. D. COLEMAN
Hon. Secretary per tem.
Hongkong, April 27, 1917. 1738

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE
LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTY-SIXTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of the Under-Secretary on THURSDAY the 3rd May, 1917, at Noon.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 1st instant to the 3rd May, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.
General Agents.
Hongkong, April 16, 1917. 1683

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC
COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING will be held at the Company's Office, 8, Des Vaux Road, on SATURDAY, the 5th May, 1917, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 28th February, 1917, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 28th instant, to the 5th May, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, April 17, 1917. 1693

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE
INSURANCE CO.

IN WHICH ARE VESTED THE SHARES OF THE "OCEAN MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LTD., and THE RAILWAY PASSENGERS ASSURANCE CO.

By Order of the Board,
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.
General Managers.
Hongkong, April 26, 1917. 1730

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General Managers.
Hongkong, April 26, 1917. 1730

INTIMATIONS

NOTICE.

WE have from this Day OPENED our OFFICE at New York, San Francisco, and Hongkong, under the firm name of KARANTIA & COMPANY. Our local office is situated at No. 2, Connaught Road.

KARANTIA AND COMPANY.
Hongkong, April 30, 1917. 1743

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF
CANTON, LTD.

NOTICE.

FROM This Date and during the absence of the Under-Signed from the Colony, Mr. C. H. P. HAY will perform the duties of the General Manager of the Society.

By Order of the Board,
C. MONTAGUE EDE,
General Manager.
Hongkong, April 30, 1917. 1749

CHINA FIRE INSURANCE CO. LTD.

NOTICE.

FROM This Date and during the absence of the Under-Signed from the Colony, Mr. C. H. P. HAY will perform the duties of the General Manager of the Company.

By Order of the Board,
C. MONTAGUE EDE,
General Manager.
Hongkong, April 30, 1917. 1750

BRITISH TRADERS INSURANCE
CO. LTD.

NOTICE.

FROM This Date and during the absence of the Under-Signed from the Colony, Mr. C. H. P. HAY will perform the duties of the General Manager of the Company.

By Order of the Board,
C. MONTAGUE EDE,
General Manager.
Hongkong, April 30, 1917. 1751

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THE COMING CRASH.

General Haig has now more or less confirmed Brissot's prediction written one of the military experts recently that we may look for a decision favourable to our arms by August, 1917, and we may consider what grounds exist for their optimism.

From a purely military point of view the deciding factors are men, munitions, and money, and we are assured that the enemy is falling further behind us in all three respects. We may take it that the Germans now have five million men in the field, with not more than another million available in reserve, and that they have two courses open to them. They may be content to use their reserves to make good the wastage of war as it occurs, in which case these reserves would not last more than three or four months from the time that serious fighting commences, or the Germans may take every available man who was in reserve at the beginning of the year and put him into the field, in which case they should be able to increase their field army to nearly five and three-quarter millions, and to undertake a serious offensive with nearly one million men. The former course may prove of benefit for some months and be a opportunity for developments detrimental to the Entente cause; but the latter alternative is more likely to lead to decisive results and is more in conformity with the German spirit and theory of war. Let us assume, then, that the Germans will adopt the latter course.

By the middle of 1916 the Germans had managed to field 170 divisions, each of which comprised four infantry regiments of three battalions each; but when the Austrians came to such terrible grief in the autumn of 1916 and the intervention of Rumania became imminent, the Germans met the situation by resorting to a strict discipline on all their existing fronts, and withdrew a regiment of three battalions from each of some hundred of their existing divisions from which they proceeded to form rather more than thirty new divisions of three regiments each, some of which were employed against the Rumanians.

These operations as we know, carried the German allies across Wallachia, and they came to a standstill on what we may call the "Line of the Struth," namely, we may note, because of the destruction of the Russian and Rumanian munitions at Archangel. Thus the German conquest of Wallachia might well be described as the victory of Archangel. We may now assume that the Germans will complete the process of forming new divisions out of old ones by reducing the infantry of all the original 170 divisions to three regiments, by which means they will be able to raise the number of their divisions to 170-170-3=257 divisions. They may then use the new hitherto in reserve partly to provide the personnel of the artillery and other services required for the new divisions and partly to increase the infantry in each of the 257 divisions we may expect them to form.

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A COLLAPSE IN SIX MONTHS?

Hitherto the Germans have allocated about two-thirds of their divisions to the Western front and a dozen or so to the Rumanian and Balkan fronts, but by denuding these fronts to a great point they should be able to find a force of nearly one million men for a tremendous attack which the cognoscenti assure us will be made on the Western front.

Assuming, then, that our Allies on the other fronts succeed in holding up some sixty or seventy German divisions in the future, as they have done in the past, we should have to deal with at least 100 German divisions or over three and a half million men on the Western front; and we must not conceal from ourselves that the crash will be tremendous, the strain terrific, and that the enemy may score some initial advantages.

Meanwhile the German army will begin to wilt away, whereas the French, who are less exhausted than the Germans, and the British, who have practically unlimited reserves, should be able to maintain their present strength in the field. If, then, the Allies can hold up the Germans for three months, the next three months should see the enemy collapse.

SHIP FOR SHIP: TON FOR TON.

The subject of how enemy shipping shall be dealt with at the close of the war will be discussed at the annual conference of the Association of Chambers of Commerce this month. A proposal from Manchester will be made, that the Government be requested not to leave enemy ships free after the war to extend their share of the world's carrying trade until the enemy has replaced in kind all ships and has paid full compensation for all cargoes which have been lost by the Allies owing to Germany's piratical methods, and to declare that no terms should be considered adequate which do not provide for such reparation. Even more drastic are the suggestions which London will make. They are as follows:

(a) That in consequence of the sinking of unarmed merchantmen, no enemy steamers captured or detained in British ports or Allied ports (whether or not such present allied ports were neutral when war was declared) be returned to the enemy.

(b) That all British or allied steamers detained in enemy ports at the beginning of the war be delivered to their owners, or if destroyed, their value (to be fixed by the Government) to be paid for their owners at the conclusion of hostilities.

(c) That from the enemy steamers refueling in neutral ports (North and South American, Spanish, Scandinavian, &c.) a steamer be taken approximately of the same tonnage and value for every enemy steamer destroyed by British or allied forces.

(d) That for a period of five years after the declaration of peace, enemy steamers be not allowed to use the coaling stations of the British Empire.

(e) That foreign tonnage in Empire ports should conform to the Empire conditions regarding shipping.

(f) That the shipping laws and the regulations should favour the shipment of goods from one port to another within the Empire in vessels under the British flag registered in some part of the Empire, or in vessels belonging to Allied Powers.

MOBILISING THE MAGISTRATE.

In a case at Singapore, the further hearing of which was postponed by the Magistrate, Mr. Mudie, with the remark that he (the Magistrate) would be mobilised for the next fortnight, the following dialogue occurred:

Mr. Elliott: Cannot something be done with regard to this mobilisation your honour? It does seem rather unreasonable that a magistrate should be mobilised and the public work of the Colony suffer in consequence.

Mr. Mudie: I have no objection to your seeing the first mobilisation your honour. It will be necessary to see the Colonial Secretary.

Mr. Elliott: I am perfectly willing to see the Colonial Secretary or the Governor if necessary. Herp work has to be going up because your honour has to go to the forts to turn a handle, which could be done by any coolie. That is the way work is being done in this Colony at present.

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LIBEL ACTION AT SHANGHAI.

DAMAGES AGAINST THE DEFENDANT FOR £3,000.

An action for libel occupied the Chief Judge and a Jury at the Supreme Court in Shanghai last week. Dr. E. L. Marsh brought an action for alleged libel contained in a letter written by Mr. Hayley Morris and published in the "N.C. Daily News," two of whose directors, Messrs. E. C. Pearce and Gordon Morris, were joined as defendants.

The letter, which formed the subject of the action was as follows:—

"MEDICAL ETIQUETTE."

To the Editor of the "N.C. Daily News":—
Sir,—Everyone is prepared to recognize medical etiquette, but it must be observed in a reasonable way. A case in point to explain what I mean.

In a recent case a friend of mine was seriously ill in Shanghai. He was attended by his own doctor. In my opinion he was not improving and I was anxious that a second opinion as to his case and its treatment should be taken. I informed the doctor in question that I would like a consultation, giving him the name of the medical man whom I wished called in. When I mentioned my request over the telephone I was immediately

sung out. Five minutes later I rang him up again and told him what my opinion was of his unprofessional conduct. The doctor in charge of the case refused to permit the consultation which I said should be at my own expense on the ground that the disease was taking its normal course. This may have been so, but it really had nothing to do with my request. As a matter of fact a few days after this statement was made my friend died. Anybody who has any common sense will admit that the heads of two different firms are better than one, and that being the case surely it was unreasonable that my request should have been refused. The value of consultations between doctors of different firms in Shanghai is elsewhere. I myself have in mind a particular case in Shanghai where the life of a patient was undoubtedly saved by the relatives acting on the advice of the doctor called into consultation and an operation taking place against the opinion of the other two doctors.

My object in writing this letter is to prevent if possible a recurrence in the future of any similar incident—I am, etc.

(Signed) HAYLEY MORRIS.

The plaintiff alleged that the letter was written and printed and published "falsely and maliciously" of him as a medical practitioner, and that by it he had been much injured in his credit and reputation and profession. The defendants denied and were understood to mean that he was more concerned for the observance of medical etiquette than for the welfare of his patient.

The first defendant admitted that he wrote the letter and sent it to the paper for publication, but denied that he did so either maliciously or falsely. The doctor mentioned in the letter was in fact the plaintiff; but defendant did not admit that the letter was so understood by readers of the newspapers, and he did not mean it to be so understood. The words of the letter did not mean what the plaintiff alleged, and they were not reasonably capable of the alleged or any defamatory meaning, and in their natural sense they were no libel. The said words, so far as they consisted of facts were true; and, so far as they consisted of expressions of opinion, were fair comment on such facts. The general question raised in the letter was a matter of public interest and proper for newspaper discussion, and had not caused any injury to the plaintiff.

The two other defendants added that they took no part in the writing or composition of the letter; and they passed it for printing and publication only in their capacity of two of the Directors of the "N.C. Daily News" and "Herald."

Limited, at the request of the defendant Hayley Morris, and on his assurance that all the statements contained in the letter were true in substance and in fact, and that the form of the letter had been settled by his solicitor. As regards certain of the allegations of fact contained in the said letter the same were true in substance and in fact. So far as the said letter consisted of matters of public interest, the said defendants were content to publish any statement which the plaintiff might care to make, together with an apology, if such statement should show it to be reasonably required; but the plaintiff declined the offer.

The case turned on the question of the refusal of the plaintiff to call in Dr. Bolton, at the request of the defendant, Hayley Morris and others, for a consultation over the condition of the late Mr. Mackinnon, Secretary of the Municipal Council. The plaintiff pleaded that his patient was seen by his two partners, who agreed with his diagnosis of the case, and that, when asked if he wished a further opinion, Mr. Mackinnon replied in the negative and requested to be protected against interference by his friends.

A SETTLEMENT WITH TWO DEFENDANTS.

After the first day's hearing a settlement was arrived at in the case against the two Directors of the newspaper.

His Lordship ruled in Court the full terms of the settlement, which were as follows:—

The defendants Edward Charles Pearce and Gordon Morris absolutely withdrew the libel complained of and sincerely apologized for its publication. They agreed to pay the plaintiff's costs between solicitor and client occasioned by them of a scale to be fixed by the Judge, and also to pay the sum of five hundred pounds sterling to the Shanghai General Hospital.

All imputations of malice are withdrawn on both sides.

Having regard to this settlement, the plaintiff will ask leave to discontinue the action as against the defendants Edward Charles Pearce and Gordon Morris.

His Lordship added:—I am once granted that leave without hesitation so that you will have still to inquire into the case as between the plaintiff and the defendant, Mr. Hayley Morris, who was the author of the letter.

VERDICT.

The case was accordingly proceeded with and when the issue was ultimately referred to the jury they returned after an absence of 45 minutes agreed upon a verdict for the plaintiff with damages of £5,000 sterling.

The "N.C. Daily News" understands that Mr. Hayley Morris intends to appeal against the decision.

"THE LITTLE FATHER."

Professor James Young Simpson, who was recently in Russia, in an interview in London said:—"The Czar's manifesto is calculated to stir up an enormous amount of sympathy in the Russian people for the Throne. It will possibly have an effect later, that is, if the moderate Liberals are unable to carry the scheme to establish a constitutional monarchy. I have little doubt that a moderate monarchical policy will ultimately prevail. Obviously, there are pro-German groups whose policy it will be to endeavour to make trouble between the Socialists and the moderate Liberals, and stimulate the former to more extreme measures, hoping to produce in two or three months some sort of reaction. For however much people are disappointed and angered at the policy of any individual Emperor, it is impossible to eradicate the deep instinctive reverence and love for the Little Father, as the Sovereign is affectionately termed."

I am optimistic, expecting the situation to clear up gradually. I think this is the hardest knock Germany has had. The disheartening conditions under which the war was lately conducted, when the country knew the Premier was seeking to conclude a separate peace, have ended, and the people, army, and public councils are greatly heartened. Russia will fight the war to a finish, and the war will be greatly expedited."

Mr. Farham, the London correspondent of the Petrograd "Borise Gazette" says:—"While the revolution certainly aims at winning the war there is something even higher and more important, namely, the attainment of the ideals for 50 years. It would be most unjust to brand as anarchists the Socialists and Revolutionists, who, after years of waiting, now see the dawn of their hopes. The majority of those now governing Russia are moderates. They demand only a Government commanding the people's confidence. They do not ask for more than they asked in 1916, when the Czar gave no answer. He was looking for forces with which to fight the revolution, and finding himself unsupported, he was compelled to yield. His manifesto is intended to convey the impression that he abdicated willingly, out of patriotism and love of country. The best evidence to the contrary is seen in the past. The Czar abdicated because the Duma decided that neither he nor his son should remain, and that the Grand Duke Michael should only be temporarily Regent."

STOCKINGS SHORTAGE.

Will there be a stockings shortage? This question likely to be the most serious question arising in connection with the drapery trade prohibitions. Cotton hosiery and silk goods stand high in the list of imports for 1916; now the imports are to cease altogether. "There are no great stocks of any of the hosiery goods in the country," said Mr. Gordon Selridge to a Daily Express representative "and the public will find it increasingly difficult to obtain exactly what they want, but I am sure that there will not be an ounce of criticism. Gloves can be dispensed with if necessary; stockings not so easily. The British manufacturers of stockings have lately been endeavouring to increase their output, but many of them are engaged on Government work. Purchases of any of the articles to be prohibited have hitherto shown no falling off. It will now be a question of substitutes for articles which are really necessary. Some can be done without altogether."

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REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS.

The Directors submit the annexed Statement of the Liabilities and Assets of the bank, and of the Profit and Loss Account for the Half-Year ended 31st December, 1916.

The Gross Profits of the Bank for the past Half-Year, including Yen 1,377,512.59 brought forward from last account, amount to Yen 31,677,398.91, from which the sum of Yen 27,457,512.59 has been deducted for Interest, Taxes, Current Expenses, Rebate, on Bills, Current, and Doubtful Debts, Bonus for Officers and Clerks, etc., leaving a balance of Yen 4,019,886.32 for appropriation.

The Directors proposed that Yen 300,000.00 be added to the Reserve Fund, and recommended a Dividend at the rate of Twelve per cent. per annum, which will also be Yen 1,800,000.00.

The Balance, Yen 1,719,886.32 will be carried forward to the credit of next account.

JUNSUKE INOUE, Chairman.

Head Office, Yokohama, 16th March, 1917.

GENERAL BALANCE 31ST DECEMBER, 1916.

Liabilities.	Y.
Capital (paid up)	20,000,000.00
Reserve fund	2,000,000.00
Debts for Doubtful	
Notes in circulation	2,312,072.74
Deposits (Current, Fixed, etc.)	18,000,547.92
Bills Payable, Bills Re-	
discounted, Acceptances, and other sums due by the Bank	27,457,512.59
Dividends declared	226,851,118.41
Balance of Profit and Loss brought forward from last account	4,008.77
Net Profit for the past Half-Year	1,437,435.74
Yen	31,677,398.91

Assets.

Y.	Y.
In Hand	20,710,025.68
At Bankers	36,742,896.43
Investments—in Public Securities	67,452,732.11
Bills, Discounted, Loans, Advances, etc.,	21,530,171.45
Bills Receivable and other Sums due to the Bank	178,632,430.85
Bullion and Foreign Money	303,017,424.96
Bank's Premises, Properties, Furniture, etc.,	2,261,290.96
Yen	3,923,898.43
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PROFIT AND LOSS.

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By Balance brought forward 30th June, 1916

By Amount of Gross Profit for the Half-Year ending 31st December, 1916

Yen 31,677,398.91

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We have examined the above Accounts in detail, comparing them with the Books and Vouchers of the Bank and the Returns from the Branches and Agencies and have found them to be correct. We have further inspected the Securities etc. of the Bank, and also various etc. and have found them all to be in accordance with the Books and Accounts of the Bank.

YASUNORI ASADA, Auditor.

"WE WEAVE, WE ARE WEAVING."

A HEINE POEM.

Heinrich Heine, a volume of whose poems is being issued by Henry Holt & Co., was driven out of Germany on account of his hostility to Prussia. One of his poems, "The Weavers," almost forgotten, is of particular interest just now. It is as follows, the translation being by Louis Untermeyer:

From darkened eyes no tears are falling;
Grasping our teeth, we hear here calling:
"Germany, listen, we are weaving."
We weave your shroud with a triple curse.

"A curse to the false god that we prayed to
And worshipped in spite of all, and obeyed, too.
We waited and hoped and suffered in vain;
He laughed at us, sneering, for all of our pain."

"We weave, we are weaving!"
The rich man's King, whom our plight could not soften;
Who took our last penny by taxes and cheats,
And let us be shot like the dogs in the streets."

"We weave, we are weaving!"
A curse to the Fatherland, whose face is covered with lies and foul disguises;
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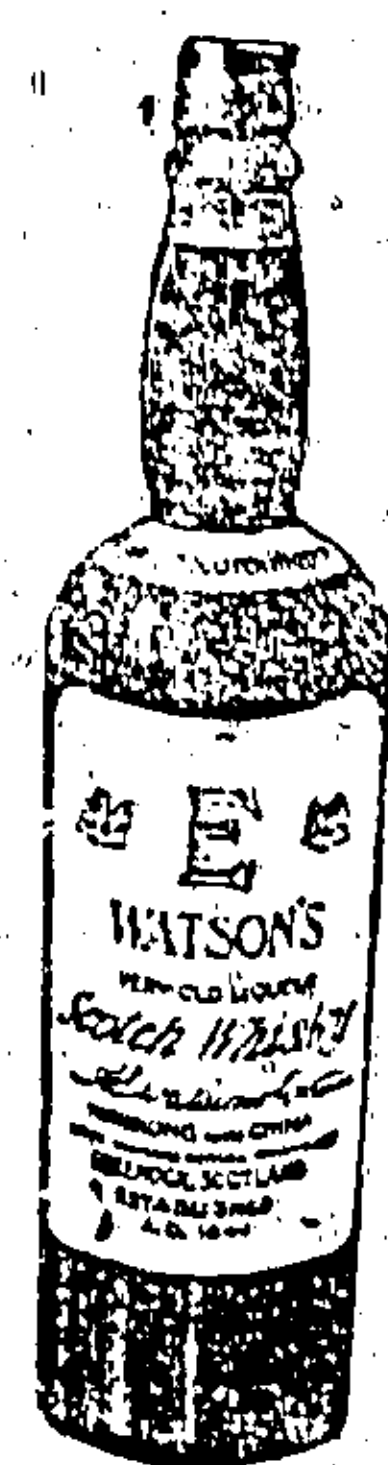
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THE Undersigned has received instructions from the Liquidators of Messrs. James & Co. in pursuance of an order of the Hongkong Government to sell by Public Auction at 12 o'clock (Noon) on

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St. George's Day Committee,
Hongkong, May 1, 1917. 1730

NOTICE.

I have this day REMOVED my
OFFICE from Queen's Building to
2nd Floor of Messrs. A. T. & Co's
Building, Des Voeux Road Central.
W. E. A. YUK.

Hongkong, May 1, 1917. 1734

KOWLOON CANTON RAILWAY.

THE Public is hereby notified that on
and from TUESDAY, May 1st,
1917, the FARES between the Stations
on the British Section and certain
Stations on the Chinese Section WILL
BE INCREASED.

Full particulars of these alterations
will be posted at the Railway Station.
No increase has been made to the present
special fares between Canton and Hong-
kong and vice versa.

By Order,

H. P. WINSLOW,
Manager.

Kowloon, May 1, 1917. 1736

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

WE hereby notify that on and from
the 1st May, 1917, the NOSSER-
WAN ROMANJEE KARANJIA will
retire from the business of our firm here
and branches abroad. His responsibility
will, therefore, cease from the firm of
PATTELL & CO. from that date, and
our Mr. MANCHERJI JAMSHEDJI
PATTELL will carry on all the business
of PATTELL & CO. on his own account,
as usual, while the businesses of
ROMANJEE & CO. of Hongkong and
Canton will be carried on by Mr. NOS-
SERWAN ROMANJEE KARANJIA on
his own account, and Mr. MANCHERJI
JAMSHEDJI PATTELL's responsibility
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Hongkong, May 1, 1917. 1737

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Hongkong, May 1, 1917. 1735

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THE CALENDAR.

MEMO. FOR TO-MORROW.

Meeting of the H.K. Overseas Club.

General Memoranda.

THURSDAY, May 3—

Noon—Canton Insurance Offices

Meeting.

5.30 p.m.—Meeting of the Con-

stitutional Reform Association of

Hongkong.

FRIDAY, May 4—

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household

Furniture, etc., at Messrs.

Hughes and Houghton's.

SATURDAY, May 5—

Noon—Hongkong Electric Co's

Meeting.

SUNDAY, May 6—

Accession of King George (1910).

WEDNESDAY, May 9—

Proclamation of King George V.

10.45 a.m.—Full Moon.

Noon—Indo-China Steam Nav. Co's

Meeting.

BIRTH.

MORRISON.—At Peking, on April 21st,
the wife of Mr. R. MORRISON, of a
Son.

DEATH.

RENNES.—The dearly be-
loved son of Mr. & Mrs. J. Y.
RENNES, aged six and a half years.
Shameen, 29th April, 1917.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, MAY 1, 1917.

THE GREAT CHRISTIAN CLASSIC.

The public meeting of the Hongkong

Auxiliary of the British and Foreign

Bible Society, held last evening in

St. Andrew's Hall, Kowloon, has, we

think, a range of significance more

far reaching than the proceedings

reported in another column would,

at first, appear to suggest. Among

the familiar household words of our

Chinese neighbours is a pithy proverb

which bids us:—"Look to the root."

An essentially sound saying that can

be applied at many points in our

human scheme of things. In

times of stress and strain, when life

takes on meanings not realised under

ordinary conditions, the axiom should

appeal with a force enhanced by the

pain and sorrow of "being and doing"

in the midst of a world in arms.

The response of Hongkong to the calls

and claims of the Bible Society,

through its local Auxiliary, may be

learned from the Report, which is said

to afford ground for encouragement.

We are of opinion, however, having

in mind the Chinese aphorism above

quoted, that more might be done for

the Bible Society, even in war time,

within the limits of the Colony. It

cannot be gainsaid that the high and

pure moral development, in which

as MATTHEW ARNOLD has well

pointed out, the moral ideas that have

most force in the world had their

heaven and largely also their model, is

in the great Christian Classic. Hope

for the future based on the force of

things invisible and intangible, a

force permeating laws, institutions

and civil procedure of nations

associated in maintaining the peace

and ensuring the progress of the world

on lines that make for perpetuity, will,

if we trace aright the source and

origin, be found to spring from this

root, planted thousands of years ago

in a small corner of the Orient, at the

Eastern end of the Mediterranean sea.

The Hebrews struck so deeply and

so completely the moral laws of God

in relation to human life, in its

associated action, that the nations

must depend for their progress upon

what has been disclosed to them in

the Bible. We note, with satisfaction,

the work of the Bible Society among

soldiers and sailors who are fighting

our battles. Anything on which

the soldier, battling, wounded or

dying, sets a special value becomes to

us, by that very fact, a thing of larger

worth. What the sailor guarding

our coast from the menace of deadly

foes, keeping open to us the water-

ways of commerce, sets large store

by is to that extent, the more

worthy of consideration by friends

of the sailor. The Bible Society's

Auxiliary reminds us of the place

occupied by Bible distribution in
relation to the army and navy; of the
Society's vast war work and all that
it entails, and its members are more
than justified, on this ground alone, in
their special appeal at the annual
public meeting.

There is, however, another aspect
of Bible Society activities that we
ought to keep in mind. It is well set
forth by a great French writer, on the
origin of laws; and the gist of it is as
follows:—"The more we meditate on the
laws of Moses the more we shall perceive
their wisdom and inspiration. They alone
have the inestimable advantage never
to have undergone any of the revolutions
common to all human laws. There has
been nothing changed, nothing added,
nothing retrenched from the laws of Moses
for three thousand years." Now can there
be room for doubt that MILMAN is right
in saying:—"The Hebrew Lawgiver has
exercised a more extensive and permanent
influence over the destinies of mankind than
any other individual in the annals of the
world." Now that the destinies of
nations are being reshaped in the
midst of great world convulsions, the
activities of the British and Foreign
Bible Society by virtue of their
magnitude and potency within the
sphere where its pre-eminence is
universally acknowledged, merit
sympathetic attention on the part of
every thoughtful person who is
seeking to observe, amid the chances
and changes of these troublous times
the progress of humanity toward its
final goal when war shall be no more.

THE MAGISTRACY.
LARCENY FROM KOWLOON
DOCKS.
Before Mr. Melbourne this morning a
Chinese shop coolie pleaded guilty to the
charge of stealing a sheet of rubber,
valued at ten dollars from the Kowloon
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His Worship sentenced the defendant
to six weeks' hard labour and four
hours in the stocks, which are to be
placed outside the main gate of the
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A POLICE RESERVE SENT
TO GAOL.
Mr. J. W. Franks, Assistant Super-
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Wood's Court this morning to prosecute
a Chinese police reserve named Lam Kin
Ting (R.S.E.C. No. 185) whom he
charged firstly, with unlawfully absent-
ing himself from ordinary parade,
secondly, with failing to return his rifle,
and thirdly and fourthly, with twice
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duty.

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he had gone to Kowloon to see a friend
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Mr. Franks informed the magistrate
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NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Chinese Parliament is to be
asked to-day to approve a declaration
of war against Germany.

A Variety Entertainment will be
given in the Royal Naval Canton
Theatre on Saturday next at 9 p.m., in
aid of War Charities.

The Tukwans, or Provincial
Military Governors, who have just
concluded their Conference in Peking
on the war situation, have been enter-
tained by the British, French and
American Ministers separately.

An H.K.V.C. Order of to-day's
date says:—"From 1st May to 15th
November, caps are not to be worn after
7 a.m. or before 5 p.m. Helmets should
invariably be worn between these
hours."

Fifty-six Chinese athletes who are
to compete at the Third Far Eastern
Olympic Games in Tokyo, last week
left Shanghai for Japan, last week.
They had a great send-off being preceded
to the wharf by two brass bands.

A Chinaman married woman, residing
at No. 35 Queen's Road Central, has
reported to the Police that at about four
o'clock this morning, some person entered
her residence by way of the fire-escape
and stole five pieces of porcelain valued
at \$750.

According to the bill of impeach-
ment in the Senate against Han
Shih Ying, Minister of Communications,
the alleged corrupt practices extend
even to Hongkong where it is alleged a
sworn brother of the Minister, a
director of the Kowloon railway (sic)
applies much of his time. The Minister
is alleged to have "whitewashed"
charges of corruption against his sworn
brother.

The Exhibition to-day, at the City
Hall, of work done by the various local
organisations affiliated to Queen Mary's
Needlework Guild was well attended,
and it is hoped that the object in view,
to stimulate interest in the work and to
enlist all possible assistance, will have
been served. The work exhibited covered
a wide range of effort, and showed the
many ways in which workers could
assist.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

Unions	3.30 p.m.
Banks	8300 sa x div
Steamboats	7124 buyers
Indos Def.	18 buyers
China Sugars	1234 sales
Y.K. Wharves	114 buyers
H. & W. Docks	704 buyers
Cement	121 buyers
H.K. Electric	8.05 buyers
Powells	62 buyers
	6.60 sales

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A SHIP'S CAPTAIN FINED.

Captain Valentine, master of the s.s.
Sui Tai, was summoned before Mr.
Melbourne this morning and fined \$35
for attempting to leave the harbour
with his ship before the vessel had been
inspected by the Police.

Detective Inspector Watt appeared to
prosecute on behalf of the Police.
Captain Valentine pleaded guilty to the
offence, explaining that he was
unaware the Police had not been aboard
his vessel, previous to her attempted
departure.

THEFT OF CURTAIN RINGS.

In Mr. Melbourne's Court this morning
a coolie, employed at the Hongkong
Hotel, was sentenced to seven days
hard labour on the charge of stealing a
number of curtain rings from the
Hongkong Hotel.

At 2.30 o'clock this afternoon, sub-
sequent to the conviction of the Chinese
Police Reserve constable (No. 185), who
is recorded as the first Police Reserve
constable sentenced to imprisonment,
Mr. Leo D'Almada addressed Mr. J. R.
Wood regarding the sentence and
applied for a re-hearing.

Mr. D'Almada said that he was
making the application on the severity
of the sentence, the facts of the case
and, the law, submitting to the
magistrate that the ordinance under
which special police reserve No. 185 was
this morning charged and sentenced,
was not applicable under section 10 of
the Special Police Ordinance.

His Worship said that the real point
was a flaw in the ordinance and after
granting Mr. D'Almada's application,
ordered that S.P.C. No. 185 be released
on bail and fixed the re-hearing for next
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SANITARY BOARD.

MR. BOWLEY'S QUESTIONS ANSWERED.

At the meeting of the Sanitary
Board this afternoon replies were
given to the series of questions of
which Mr. Bowley had given notice.

THE STORAGE AND SORTING OF POULTRY.

Q.—What steps (if any) have been taken
by the Government to carry out the
recommendation made by the Board
on the 12th December last that the
"Arch of Crown Land" lying between
Des Voeux and Connaught Roads
opposite the Sailors' Home should be
laid out as a depot for the storage
and sorting of poultry at the earliest
possible date, such recommendation
having been made with a view to
the abatement of the nuisance occasioned
by such storage and sorting in
Ko Shing and Li Sing Streets?

The PRESIDENT replied:—
There is a considerable divergence
of opinion between the Vice-Presi-
dent and myself as to the way in
which the new depot should be laid
out, and with a view to deciding
between us, His Excellency the
Governor visited with us, both the
present and the new sites. This was
on the 15th March. His Excellency
instructed us to take observations
at Ko Sing Street during the busy
hours, i.e. between 7 and 8 a.m.
This

TELEGRAMS.

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AMERICA'S CONSCRIPTION ACT.

AN ARMY OF TWO MILLIONS.

WASHINGTON, April 30.—The Conscription Bill provides for an army of two million men. Details of the measure will be settled at a conference at both Houses.

AMERICAN WAR MEASURES.

LONDON, April 29.—The American War Department has already presented plans for training 2,000,000 men. Manufacturers throughout the country are adjusting the signal to start working equipments at a moment's notice.

It has practically been decided to adopt the English rifle and the French engine, while inventors are busily engaged improving on the German devices for poison gas, gas masks and liquid fire.

Mr. Edison is devoting himself to the submarine problem.

The sites for military camps have already been selected and it is proposed to call up the men in batches of half a million at a time.

AMERICAN MISSION TO RUSSIA.

WASHINGTON, April 30.—President Wilson is considering the appointment of socialist and labour representatives to the American Mission to Russia.

AMERICAN CONGRESSMEN AND IRELAND.

WASHINGTON, April 30.—Two hundred members of Congress have telegraphed to Mr. Lloyd George urging a settlement of the Irish question.

BRAZIL AND THE WAR.

RIO DE JANEIRO, April 29.—The Government has proclaimed neutrality in the German-American war.

NAVAL QUESTIONS IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

LONDON, April 30.—In the House of Commons at question time Sir Edward Carson stated that owing to the increase in submarines in other areas and the increase of patrol boats in the Channel, the loss of shipping in the Channel during April was less than any preceding three months. He admitted that shipping losses, generally, were increasing.

Mr. Dillon asked why there had been no official mention of reinforcements being sent in the recent destroyer fight off Dover.

Sir Edward Carson replied that the fight only lasted for five minutes, and the reinforcements arrived in time to pick up the survivors.

In the House of Commons Mr. Bonar Law stated that an opportunity for discussing naval matters would be afforded at a secret session next week.

AERIAL BOMBARDMENT OF ZEEBRUGGE.

LONDON, April 30.—Allied airmen are constantly bombarding Zeebrugge and the Germans admit damage.

DOCK LABOURERS' STRIKE AT TILBURY.

LONDON, April 30.—Two thousand dock labourers at Tilbury have struck, demanding an increase of one shilling and sixpence a day.

PROPOSAL FOR AN EXCHANGE OF PRISONERS.

LONDON, April 30.—In the House of Commons, Mr. Hope stated that Germany had not replied to the British proposal of a mutual transfer of combatants, who have been prisoners for more than two years, to a neutral country.

POSSIBLE ABANDONMENT OF MEATLESS DAYS.

LONDON, April 30.—In the House of Commons, Mr. Bathurst said that meatless days might have to be abandoned, because it involved a strain on the consumption of bread.

A GERMAN MINISTER'S ILLUSION.

"GREAT BRITAIN BEATEN."

AMSTERDAM, April 30.

Speaking in the Reichstag Herr von Helfferich, the Minister of Finance, stated that during February and March 1,500,000 tons of shipping were sunk by submarine. Of this total a million tons were British. The estimated tonnage still available for British trade was from 7,000,000 to 10,000,000. He asserted that the new British construction in 1916 was less than the normal annual diminution by wearing out in peace time.

Dr. von Helfferich, quoted a mass of statistics endeavouring to convince the Germans that Great Britain is beaten. He declared that the British effort to relieve the difficulties by a drastic restriction of imports was doomed to failure. The 1,000 wooden ships being built in America to save Great Britain, would only be ready when there was nothing more to save. He painted a gloomy picture of a frantic appeal, with which the speech concluded, urging the Germans to keep their nerves steady and maintain internal order.

SIGNIFICANT SPEECH BY DERNBURG.

AMSTERDAM, April 30.

The ex-Colonial Minister, Dr. Dernburg, in a significant speech at Bremen, warned the Government not to today reforms because the popular movement is so deep rooted that it cannot be stifled. He also urged Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg to publish Germany's war aims. If Germany has given President Wilson a concrete answer to his concrete question, with regard to Germany's war aims, we should go a step further.

THE "GERMAN CORPSE FACTORY."

LONDON, April 30.

In the House of Commons Lord Robert Cecil, replying to questions, stated that the Government had no information at present about the German Corpse Factory reports, beyond what had appeared in the leading newspapers in London. In view of other actions by the German Military authorities, there was nothing incredible in the statements regarding the reports. Lord Cecil added that it is no part of the duty of the Government to institute enquiries into what goes on in Germany.

GERMANY AND THE IMPERIAL PREFERENCE POLICY.

LONDON, April 30.

Mr. Bonar Law's announcement on Imperial Preference is being used by the German Government as a warning to workers as to the consequences of an Allied victory. For example the *Frankfurter* says that the Central Powers are threatened with complete exclusion from the world markets, upon the re-entry in which the future of Germany depends.

AN IMPRESSIVE ANTI-PACIFIST DEMONSTRATION IN RUSSIA.

SPEECH BY AMERICAN AMBASSADOR.

PETROGRAD, April 30.

An impressive anti-pacifist procession, in which thousands of unarmed and bandaged soldiers took part, proceeded to the Duma.

They were addressed en route by the American Ambassador who said he could not imagine a separate Russian peace, involving the surrender of the new won gains.

THE PROHIBITION OF HORSE RACING.

LONDON, April 30.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Bathurst said that the prohibition of horse racing applied to Ireland also. (Cheers.) An order providing for the rationing of thorough-bred horses would be issued shortly.

THE PRICE OF COTTON.

LONDON, April 30.

Cotton has risen 20 points.

A GOOD RULE FOR THE HOME.

MAKE it a rule of your home to

always keep on hand a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy as a safeguard against bowel complaints. It always comes promptly and no household is safe without it. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

MIDDLESEX REGIMENT.

25TH BATTALION ENTERTAINED.

A CHINESE DINNER.

Last night Colonel John Ward, M.P. and Officers and upwards of 400 men of the 25th Battalion of the Middlesex Regiment, were entertained by the Victoria Division of the St. John Ambulance Brigade Overseas to a Chinese dinner at the To Yuen restaurant at West Point. The men were conveyed to the restaurant in seven special trams, while motor-cars were available for the officers. At the restaurant, which was gaily decorated with flowers and bunting, the guests were accommodated in four rooms. The menu, which bore a picture of a member of the Ambulance Brigade giving the hand of welcome to a Middlesex man, set forth the bill of fare, printed in English and Chinese, as follows:—

Bird's Nest Soup
Garupa Cutlets
Shark's Fin in Chicken Sauce
Chicken Cutlets and Mushrooms
Fried and Boiled Pigeons' Eggs
Grilled Mutton
Asparagus in Chicken Sauce
Dessert
Noodle
Fried Rice
Fruit.

The novelty of the entertainment evidently appealed to the men, who struggled gallantly with the chopsticks. They greatly appreciated the kindly feelings prompting the entertainment no less than the feast itself. The Victoria Division of St. John Ambulance Brigade Overseas consists of about forty members, mainly University students and emigrants, and the expenses of the gathering were defrayed, not from the Brigade funds, but by special subscriptions by the members.

After dinner the toast of His Majesty The King was duly honoured, and then Mr. H. L. LING, who presided over the gathering, expressed on behalf of the hosts the pleasure it gave them to welcome their guests.

THE CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS OF WELCOME.

The CHAIRMAN said:—This is the second occasion on which as the Division Superintendent of the Victoria Division, I have had the pleasure to extend a hearty welcome to its guests. The pleasure I experience in welcoming you to-night is, if possible, enhanced by the knowledge that this is probably a unique occasion in the history of this Colony. It is unique because I think I am right in saying that this is the first time in the annals of Hongkong that a gallant battalion of His Majesty's Army, newly returned, covered with laurels and glory, from the scene of actual conflict in the greatest war in history, has been entertained by a small company of volunteers in first-aid work in this small but important outpost of the Empire. I know that no words of mine can add to the praise which you have received and which you richly deserve. I can only say that from the moment when I read the stirring speech of welcome to you by His Excellency the Governor of Singapore I have been looking forward to having the honour of meeting you. We all know and admire the gallantry you displayed on the field of battle, and the coolness and discipline you exhibited when your transport was mined. I have read with a thrill Col. Ward's address to you whilst drawn up on the ship. How simple and inspiring it must have seemed to you all. This was what he said:—

"Officers and men of the 25th. You have now the supreme test of your lives: the one moment we all ought to have lived for. Remember that you are Englishmen; all the best traditions of our country and race are in your keeping. You are members of one of the famous regiments in the British Army. Pray God you do not act to sully its honour! Obey orders, and you may be able to save you all; but if we cannot, then let us finish like English gentlemen."

Gentlemen, all know how splendidly they responded to that stirring address; their behaviour was so magnificent that it evoked this gracious message from H.M. The King.

"Please express to the Officer Commanding the 25th Battalion Middlesex Regiment my admiration of the conduct displayed by all ranks on the occasion of the accident to the Tyndarus. In their discipline and courage they worthily upheld the splendid tradition of the British Army, ever cherished in the annals of the British Army."

Conscious and proud as we all are of that tradition, and remembering what "matchless" valour, heroic discipline and noble chivalry it has consecrated, we feel that no praise can be greater than this gracious tribute from His Majesty. This great war has given occasion to many inspiring thoughts, and to my mind one of the most inspiring is this: that of a regiment composed, as your battalion is, of volunteers from the greatest democracy in the world, led by a labour representative in the House of Commons, which is a symbol of British freedom, against a gigantic, armed, brutal, bureaucracy, which is the negation of liberty.

Colonel Ward, Officer Commanding the 25th Battalion, I can assure you that we feel very keenly the honour you have done us in accepting our invitation, and we hope that your stay here will be a very pleasant one and that before you leave, we shall be given to see the beginning of the end.

you so gallantly helped to accomplish when the Prussian Militarism that for ever be crushed and a glorious peace shall reign.—(Applause.)

COLONEL WARD'S SPEECH.

COLONEL WARD said it was with the greatest possible pleasure that he responded to the toast to the regiment which he had the honour to command and to which he was proud to belong. The battalion had had receptions in South Africa—Wynberg—anywhere on the way out, but a reception by Chinese fellow subjects in the station to which the battalion had been sent was a unique experience. A great many of them had never left their homes before, and it must be interesting to everyone of them to have a chance of seeing so much of the empire to which they were proud to belong, and to find at the extreme limit of its power and away such a compact and business-like community, controlled and governed and directed by such skill as one found in this far outpost of the empire. He and his officers also, had been surprised and impressed by the enormous human activity displayed along the quayside of this port, and the wonderful organisation that must exist; it looked almost like chaos, although it could not possibly be that, because so much result could not be achieved. They had been impressed by the wonder of it and the strangeness of it all. Nothing, however, was so eastern and so strange as the fact that they were entertained, first and foremost, in this eastern outpost of the empire by the natural and original subjects of the King who rules us all. In Wynberg, Capetown, Durban and Singapore it had been the other way about. It had been their fellow countrymen who had been the first to welcome them. But, on that unique occasion they found that there was a peculiar sympathy developed among all races and classes by courage under adverse and difficult circumstances by all men. It did not matter whether they were Chinese, Hindoo, Brahmin, Catholic or Mohammedan. It did not matter to what race or creed they belonged, they all admired courage and determination in difficult circumstances and occasions. They were quite easy to talk and to joke about it now, but it was not so easy to talk and joke about it then, when they saw shipping away from them, the only narrow platform or partition between life and death. Those in charge knew the difference a few moments might make—it might have meant the difference between life and death for 1,100 or 1,200 men. One hoped to play the man in such circumstances; but one could never be positively certain about it till the hour came. "That is the test, and in your case," said the Colonel, "you faced the test like man—every one of you"—(Applause). All the courage and the bravery and the generosity of the race to which they belonged were exemplified in their conduct on the occasion when the *Tyndarus* was mined, and he never felt prouder in his life.

Col. Ward went on to mention that the battalion was partially enlisted on the voluntary system and partially filled up by those who had been compelled by the stress of circumstances to serve, but everyone, no matter what condition and circumstances had forced them to become soldiers of the King, when faced with the supreme test of their lives proved worthy of the country to which they belonged. He proceeded:—"You gentlemen belonging to the Colony of Hongkong have one of the most beautiful spots in the world—next to England. (Applause). It is glorious to be on the Peak and see your wonderful sunset. Of course you have also your mists, just as the most beautiful land in the world is at times covered with fog. Your mists are sometimes so depressing that I have really thought Hongkong would be a good place to start a suicide club. (Laughter). All the circumstances seem to make it like another bit of England—the mists, the rains, the work, the industry, the shipping, the clouds, and the sunshine—why, indeed, it must be the other side of our own country." (Loud applause). "At any rate they were here for one, two, three or four years, according to the length of the conflict. Let them not imagine that this was beyond possibility. It was extremely doubtful whether they would find the full end of the war for at least ten years from the time it began. He did not mean that they were going to have a great European conflict such as they saw now, but they knew quite well the disputes and difficulties that might arise over the settlement after the great part of the conflict was over, and if the men imagined that they were going to run back to "Blighy" within a few months of the conclusion of the war they were greatly mistaken. Besides, they were going to win, whether it took two years or ten." (Loud applause). It was a pleasure to find that their friends the Chinese were so interested in their welfare, and were so pleased to welcome them to this beautiful island. He trusted that their presence among the Chinese would be of the friendliest, and that the latter would be sorry to part with them, when the time came. (Loud applause).

In conclusion, the Colonel asked the Battalion to drink to the health of the Chairman and hosts of the evening, and the toast was enthusiastically honoured, the Chairman (Mr. Ho Leung) responding.

The Band of the 74th Punjabis, under Bandmaster Christian, contributed much to the success of the evening.

The officer guests present were:—Lieut. Colonel John Ward, M.P., Major F. J. Brown, Captain A. Henderson Smith, Captain W. F. Richardson, Lieut. J. Sayer, A. J. Cooper, T. C. Dickenson, G. H. V. Joffe, E. G. Eastman and Second Lieutenants E. W. Amies, H. C. Loevely, and T. G. King. Among other guests were Mr. E. Ralston (Officer in charge of the District), Messrs. Wong Kam Fuk, Sin Tak Fan, W. E. Roberts, R. H. Kowall, Dr. Thomas, Messrs. J. A. B. Silva, Ho Kwong, Ho In, Ho Ying and P. M. Sergt. Thomson.

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The Report to be presented to the Shareholders at the thirty-sixth Ordinary General Meeting to be held at the Office of the General Managers on Wednesday, the 9th day of May, 1917, at Noon states:—

The Report of the Directors with Statement of Accounts for the year 1916 is now presented.

"Good Rice Crops at Indo-China" and Siamese ports, together with scarcity of tonnage, brought about unprecedented increases in Southern Freight rates and as satisfactory conditions prevailed throughout the year in North China Waters, the earnings of the Fleet represent abnormal figures.

After providing for Depreciation, all Liabilities, Outgoings, also Interim Dividends paid in August last of 3% on the Preferred and 10% on the Deferred Shares, and taking into account the sum of £12,994-14/- brought forward from 1915, there remains a balance of £292,993-5-4, which it is proposed to apportion as follows:—To place to General Reserve Fund £100,000; Special Repairs and Renewals Account £30,000; Underwriting Account £50,000; thus absorbing £180,000 to pay a Final Dividend of 3% on the Preferred Shares = £7,438-7-4; a Final Dividend on the Deferred Shares of 4% = £99,178, and to carry forward the sum of £6,378-18-4 to next year's Account. Income Tax will be deducted from all Warrants issued in London, but not on those issued locally which will be payable at Exchange 2/4.

During the year Mr. G. W. Barton was invited to a seat on the Board which he filled from 25th May to 20th December in place of Mr. H. F. White resigned. Mr. A. O. Lang was invited to join the Board on the 29th May in place of Mr. J. W. C. Bonner resigned and Mr. H. P. White rejoined the Board on 21st December. These appointments require confirmation.

The retiring Directors are Sir Robert Ho Tung and Mr. A. O. Lang who being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

The Accounts have been audited by Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews who now retire and being eligible offer themselves for re-election.

By order of the Board,
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Hongkong, 25th April, 1917.

HAIHO CONSERVANCY WORK.

A paper written by Mr. T. Pincione, Engineer-in-Chief of the Haiho Conservancy, entitled "Conservancy Work on the Haiho River" was read by proxy, before the Engineering Society of China at Shanghai last week. Mr. Pincione described the work done on this river in order to improve shipping facilities from the mouth up to Tientsin.

There are five tributaries feeding the Haiho and as the latter is the only outlet to the sea it was taxed to such an extent that frequent floods were the result, besides very serious silting.

Owing to no conservancy work having been done to improve the Haiho river for some centuries, conditions finally got to such a state that in 1907 the Tientsin Chamber of Commerce became seriously alarmed and delegated Mr. A. C. Lind to report on the condition of affairs and suggest remedial measures. The proposals recommended in his subsequent report were carried out, but the Boxer trouble put a temporary stop to further progress of the work. The improvements consisted in making locks, training works and cuttings and work has progressed ever since.

In 1906 it was found that the bar had silted up one and a half feet since H. M. S. Dampier's survey in 1903, having an average depth of only one foot, so the work of deepening the bar by a system of raking was commenced, which was continued until a new dredger was put into commission to do this work in 1913. The raking operations resulted in a gain of from 3 to 4 ft. in depth over the original crossing, and at the end of 1916 the increased average depth signalled was 5 ft.

During this time work on the channel also proceeded, in addition to the four cuttings which were made to shorten the course of the river and cause a higher range of tide at Tientsin.

The work has entailed heavy expenditure, but when it is realized that only two vessels with a draught of under 12 ft. arrived at Tientsin Bund in 1890 and that the number in 1916 was 68, of which 226 had a draught of over 12 ft., it shows what a huge improvement to trade, quite out of all proportion to the original cost, a wise outlay of capital can create.

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This paper was illustrated with diagrams and an appendix showing progress of the work was also added.—*N. C. Day's News.*

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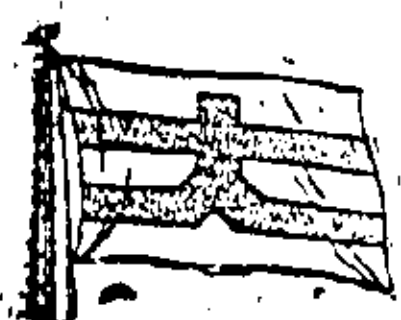
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SHANGHAI	CHOP-SANG	SUNDAY, May 6, Daylight
TIEN-TSIN	CHOP-SANG	SUNDAY, May 6, Daylight
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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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THE Steamship "Laurie Nielsen", having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence and/or from the wharves, delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 2nd May at 5 P.M. will be subject to rent. All broken, chafed and damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on 3rd May, at 9.30 a.m. Claims against the steamer must be presented within 10 days of arrival otherwise they will not be recognised.

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Any damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Goldard and Douglas, at 10 a.m. on Monday and Thursday. All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised. No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

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INDIAN ITEMS.

INDIA'S LOYALTY.

SINCE, April 19th.

The remarkable flow of gifts and assistance by Indian Chiefs and Nobles towards the war, continues without ceasing; and the Viceroy almost daily receives a valuable offer of some sort or other from some part of India. Among recent notable gifts are those of the Maharaja of Patiala (who has raised two regiments of native drivers and a complete mounted corps, and will defray their entire expense during the continuance of the war) and the Khan of Kalat in Baluchistan, who has given 100 camels. The Raja of Manipur has raised a double company of infantry, costing Rs. 10,000, and will also partly defray their cost in this field and will train a reserve of 100 men at a cost of Rs. 22,000 annually. The Chiefs of Jind, Malerkotla and Faridkot have presented a number of medals to the Foundry of the States of Behar and Orissa. The Maharaja of Patiala has given Rs. 24,000 for two aeroplanes, and the Maharaja of Gwalior Rs. 50,000 and the Maharaja of Dharwar has given a motor car for the use of the Nursing Sisters at Basra. The Maharaja of Sirmur and Faridkot have lent much needed houses in Sirmur for officers, and the Talukdar has defrayed the cost of a Sikh temple in Basra.

FINANCE.

CALCUTTA, April 19th.

The "Pioneer" Calcutta Commercial correspondent writes:—Apart from the present rise in price share values, the difficulties of the exchange and the War Loan, the topic of most pressing local interest is the approaching amalgamation of two important firms of Managing Agents, Messrs. Bird and Company, and Messrs. P. W. Hoeggers and Company. So far as Mr. Ernest Cable is concerned, the merging has already taken practical shape, for he, as chief partner of the former firm, has bought out the old partner, Hoeggers, and he has therefore a preponderating influence in both combinations. As regards the actual amalgamation, this may not materialise for some months, as settling up interests invariably arise when two big firms of managing agents come together.

INDIAN MEMBER OF FIVE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

SINCE, April 19th.

Information has been received that His Majesty's Government have sanctioned the appointment of a representative of the British Indian Community to be a member of the Legislative Council of Fiji. Badi Nalga, the gentleman selected, is an ex-indentured Indian who went to the Colony in 1890 and acquired considerable property there.

NEW COMPANIES.

CALCUTTA, April 19th.

Twenty joint stock companies were registered in February in British India with a total capital of Rs. 3,21,26,000. The Development Corporation of India, Delhi, alone accounting for Rs. 2,00,00,000. During the month three ten companies were registered with a capital of Rs. 11,50,000 and two mining and quarrying companies with Rs. 3 lakhs. A bamboo

paper pulp syndicate with Rs. 1,50,000 as capital was registered in Bombay for experiments in the manufacture of paper. For the purpose of general trade two companies were registered.

"COMPUSSION PARADE."

CALCUTTA, April 19th.

The first "CompuSSION Parade" was held on the "madden" this morning when about 2400 men of all ages, sizes, shapes and colours stood about in the sun for an hour, while the roll was called and allotments to various volunteer regiments were made. General Strange rode up and down the lines, spotting ex-soldiers; and he dismissed two or three men himself as obviously unfit for duty. Apparently compulsion drills are to be carried out as specified.

THE PREMIUM BOND SUGGESTION.

KARACHI, April 19th.

At the annual meeting of the Chamber of Commerce the Hon. Mr. Nicholas, Chairman, said that local British firms long ago invested all their available resources in the British War Loans but it was an issue of premium bonds was suggested it would be a great success. Referring to the exchange difficulties, he estimated that, for months to come, Karachi alone would require about eighty lakhs weekly to finance articles of vital national importance. The security of coal during the year added to the difficulties to the situation. He concluded by saying there were immense trade possibilities with Mesopotamia and Persia which depended on improved communication.

80,000,000 GERMANS?

SUGGESTION THAT THE CENSUS "HAS BEEN FALSIFIED."

The following report, emanating from a German source, is now being industriously circulated in neutral countries:—

According to the official returns published by the German Government in regard to the last census in Germany, the population of the country was approximately 67,000,000. It is stated that the published figure was a false one, and that the census really revealed the existence of 80,000,000 Germans, but the German Government suppressed the truth, and issued incorrect statistics with a view of deceiving the other European Powers as to the number of men who would be available for mobilisation in case of war. According to the German story it is this discrepancy between the published figure of Germany's population and the actual number of inhabitants which accounts for the premature estimates of the exhaustion of German man-power.

This is the reason, it is said, why Germany still has considerable reserves of men long after the date when her complete exhaustion was predicted by most of the military critics of other countries.

STORY OF A COMING ZEPPELIN RAID.

LARGE SCALE EXPEDITION AGAINST ENGLAND.

The "Martin" March 2, says:—"Some weeks ago the news agencies published telegrams from Zurich stating that Germany had given up the use of Zeppelins having come to the conclusion that these airships ran great risks which were out of all proportion to the damage they were able to effect. These reports must be received with great reserve.

Four Zeppelins have just been completed at Friedrichshafen and are awaiting orders to leave that place.

Moreover, at the little town of Manvel, not far from Friedrichshafen, fresh building yards have been constructed comprising immense two-storey workshops entirely underground, and thus completely sheltered from aerial attack.

The Zeppelins at present available it appears, are concentrated in a short distance from the Dutch frontier, and the Germans intend to use them in the course of a few weeks for an expedition on a large scale against Great Britain.

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On Shanghai—

On demand ... 2/4 1/2

30 days sight (private paper) ... 2/4 1/2

On Yokohama—

On demand ... 2/4 1/2

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Gold Leaf, 100 fine (per tael) ... 45

Sovereigns (Bank's Bayingrate) \$3.30 n.

Silver (per oz.) ... 37 1/2

Bar Silver in Hongkong ... 17 1/2 n.

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Chinese Copper Cent ... 2 p.

Rate of Native Interest ... 2 p.

Chinese Sub. Coin ... 4 1/2 c.

Hongkong Sub. Coin ... per.

HONGKONG TIDES.

The tide-table given below has been compiled at the National Almanac Office in London from the result of the analysis of observations taken by means of an automatic tide-recording machine in the Water Police Basin at Tsim Sha Tsui during the years 1887-8-9.

The zero of the table corresponds with the zero of the sounding in the Admiralty Chart, which has been found to be 4 feet 3 inches below mean sea level.

To obtain the depth of water on the tide gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard add 3 feet 4 inches, and on the gauge at Lamouet Dock, Aberdeen, add 10 feet 4 inches to the heights given in the table.

May 2nd to 8th, 1917.

High Water

Low Water

Time

Height

Time

Height

Time

Height

FARES FOR PUBLIC

VEHICLES.

CHAIRS.

I.—In Victoria with two Drivers.

Quarter hour ... 10 cents.

Half hour ... 20 "

One hour ... 35 "

Three hours ... 50 "

Six hours ... 70 "

Day (8 a.m. to 6 p.m.) ... \$1.00

If the trip is extended beyond Victoria, half fare extra.

Between the hours of 8.30 p.m. and 8 a.m. the above fares shall be increased by 50 per centum.

II.—Beyond Victoria, with four Drivers.

Hour ... 0.60 cents.

Three hours ... \$1.00

Six hours ... 1.50

Day (8 a.m. to 6 p.m.) ... 2.00

III.—In the Hill District.

With 2 Drivers With 4 Drivers.

Quarter hour ... \$0.15

Half hour ... 0.20

One hour ... 0.30

Two hours ... 0.50

Three hours ... 0.70

Six hours ... 1.00

Day (8 a.m. to 6 p.m.) ... 1.50

IV.—In the Island of Hongkong if engaged in Victoria.

Ten minutes ... 5 cents.

Quarter hour ... 10 "

Half hour ... 15 "

One hour ... 20 "

Every subsequent hour ... 20 "

Note.—If the ricksha be engaged within the City of Victoria, and be discharged outside the Western part of the City of Victoria after 9 p.m., or be discharged to the East Bay View Police Station or the Eastern side of the City of Victoria after 9 p.m., an extra half fare shall be chargeable.

II.—In Kowloon.

Quarter hour ... 5 cents.

Half hour ... 10 "

One hour ... 15 "

Every subsequent hour ... 10 "

III.—Taipo Road.

Twenty cents shall be added for each extra hour or part of an hour if the hirer causes the journey to take longer than—

To 4th mile—

single ... 75 cents, 1 hour.

return ... \$1.00, 2 hours.

Beyond 4th to 8th mile—

single ... \$1.20, 3 hours.

return ... \$1.50, 4 hours.

Beyond 8th to 12th mile—

single ... \$1.75, 4 hours.

return ... \$2.00, 5 hours.

Beyond 12th to 16th mile—

single ... \$2.25, 5 hours.

return ... \$2.50, 6 hours.

Fares for journeys beyond the 16th mile to be a matter of previous arrangement in each case.

The fares here set out apply to one ricksha with three coolies from Tsim Sha Tsui.

FARES FOR PUBLIC CARRIAGES.

I.

Not exceeding per passenger.

From Slaughter House to Sailors' Home ... 04 cents.

From Sailors' Home to Government Civil Hospital ... 04 "

From Government Civil Hospital to Clock Tower ... 04 "

From Clock Tower to Race Course ... 10 "

From Race Course to Bay View House ... 12 "

From Bay View House to Quarry Bay ... 08 "

From Quarry Bay to Victoria ... 08 "

II.—In the City of Victoria.

Not exceeding per passenger.

Quarter hour ... 10 "

Half hour ... 20 "

One hour ... 35 "

Two hours ... 50 "

Three hours ... 70 "

Four hours ... 85 "

Five hours ... 1.00

Six hours ... 1.15

One day from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. \$1.25

III.—Beyond Victoria.

Not exceeding per passenger.

One hour ... 25 cents.

Two hours ... 40 "

Three hours ... 55 "

Four hours ... 70 "

Five hours ... 85 "

Six hours ... 1.00

One day from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. \$1.50

If a vehicle is discharged beyond the limits of the City of Victoria half fare extra is to be allowed for the return journey.

IV.—In Kowloon.

Not exceeding per passenger.

Quarter hour ... 10 "

Half hour ... 20 "

One hour ... 35 "

Two hours ... 50 "

Three hours ... 70 "

Four hours ... 85 "

Five hours ... 1.00

Six hours ... 1.15

One day from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. \$1.25

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